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Champlin #1

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Div. of Oil, Gas & Mining

Wayne Western < waynewestern@utah.gov> To: "Bays, Duane" <dbays@blm.gov>

Duane.

do you have any agreement with Nephi Sandstone to mine at the Champlin #1?

The Operator has not filled out annual reports or paid permit fees in the last 5 years. We do hold a bond on the property which is due for escalation. We have told the Operator in increase the bond by June 2, 2014.

Wayne

Bays, Duane <dbays@blm.gov>

Mon, Apr 28, 2014 at 7:34 AM

To: Wayne Western < waynewestern@utah.gov>

Cc: Joelle McCarthy <jmccarth@blm.gov>, Michael Gates <mgates@blm.gov>

Wayne,

No, they do not have any sort or authorization, and they were cited with a Notice of Noncompliance on March 25, 2009, for mining under an exploration Notice. Their Notice case file number, now expired, is UTU-87042. They've had a pending Plan of Operations since October 9, 2008. The Plan was never approved because of a common/uncommon variety issue.

I have seen evidence since I've been here that they are mining at the site in Noncompliance. The surface estate is private, but the subsurface minerals are reserved for the United States.

I have two UDOGM case file numbers for the site: E/023/0110 and S/023/0104. Please let me know if one of those numbers in no longer applicable to the site.

I show a reclamation bond of \$19,700.00 for the site, obligated on January 8, 2009. The same amount was required by the BLM on September 30, 2011. Has it been escalated since then? We do show that UDOGM holds the bond as a CD

Best wishes,

Duane Bays Natural Resource Specialist **Bureau of Land Management** Fillmore Field Office 95 East 500 North Fillmore, Utah 84631

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